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(b) the number of men and women in jails employed in hand-spinning last year;

(c) the quantity of yarn that is ordinarily required for jail purposes if the whole of the cloth required is made of this yarn; and

(d) how much of it is now prepared in the jails themselves?

A.—(a) The total number of men and women confined in jails at the close of last year was 18,229—

Men	17,943
Women	286

(b) The hon. Member is referred to the answer to question No. 1663 given at the meeting of 2nd March 1928.

(c) The quantity of yarn that is ordinarily required for jail purposes is roughly 350,000 lb. of twist of different counts, e.g., 6's, 10's, 2/20's, $8\frac{1}{2}$'s, etc.

(d) Nil.

Mr. K. V. R. SWAMI :—" May I know Sir, whether the Government will see that all the yarn required for the jails is prepared in the jails themselves?"

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MUHAMMAD USMAN SAHIB Bahadur :—" I shall consider whether it is possible."

Revision of the Jail Manual.

*773 Q.—Mr. R. SRINIVASA AYYANGAR: Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Jail Manual has been revised and brought up to date; and

(b) when the Manual is likely to be published?

A.—(a) Yes.

(b) The revised Manual is now being printed in the Government Press.

Marine

Exports and imports at Cuddalore O.T. and Porto Novo.

*774 Q.—Mr. BASHEER AHMAD SAYEED: Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(a) whether it is a fact that cargo boats and steamers usually call at or near Cuddalore O.T. and Porto Novo either for import or export of goods;

(b) if so, what is the annual value and tonnage of the exports or imports at the aforesaid ports and what is the nature of the goods so imported or exported;

(c) whether it was at any time contemplated to make Porto Novo a harbour for exporting and importing cargo and, if so, whether he will place on the table the details of the scheme contemplated and copies of the correspondence, if any, on this subject;

(d) whether the idea to make Porto Novo a harbour for the calling of cargo boats and steamers is still under the consideration of the Government or kept in abeyance or abandoned;

(*e*) whether the Government will reinvestigate into the question of making Porto Novo a harbour and undertake necessary measures to develop the same into a suitable harbour ; and

(*f*) whether the merchant community at Porto Novo have at any time made representation to the Government to make Porto Novo a harbour and, if so, what action the Government have taken on their representations ?

A.—(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The information is contained in the Annual Statement of the Seaborne Trade and Navigation published by the Customs Department.

(*c*) No.

(*d*) Does not arise in view of the answer to the previous question.

(*e*) No.

(*f*) No.

Education

Alleged representation from the Andhra University regarding State scholarships for Post-graduate studies in England.

*775 Q.—Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether any representation has been made by the Andhra University that one of the two State scholarships for Post-graduate studies in England awarded on the recommendation of the Madras and Andhra Universities should be transferred to the administration of the Andhra University ; and

(*b*) if so, what the Government have proposed to do in the matter ?

A.—(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The question is under consideration.

Reorganization of the Subordinate Educational Service.

*776 Q.—Mr. BASHEER AHMED SAYEED : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state —

(*a*) whether the proposed scheme for the reorganization of the Subordinate Educational Service in the province is ready, and if so, whether the same will be placed on the table ; and

(*b*) if not, when the scheme will be ready, and what are the reasons for the delay ?

A.—(*a*) & (*b*) Proposals for the reorganization of the Subordinate Educational Service are now under the consideration of the Government. The question of placing them on the table of the House will be considered when final orders are passed.

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